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In Re Application of:)
Paszkowska) Group Art Unit: 1724
Serial No.: 09/653,732) Examiner: Barry, C
Filed: September 1, 2000)
For: System and Method for Producing High)
Purity Colloidal Silica and)
Potassium Hydroxide)

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner:

The Office Action from Patent Examiner Chester Barry mailed on November 9, 2002 has been received and reviewed. No extension of time is believed necessary as the deadline for this response fell on a weekend and subsequently a federal holiday. The following is submitted in response thereto:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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 1. (Once Amended) A method for producing high purity colloidal silica comprising the steps of:
 providing a quantity of potassium silicate;